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Approval and entry of this Supplemental Amendment is respectfully requested.

Claims 4-6 and 17-19 have been amended to delete ", as factors of the respective channels to be objects for the delay absorption processings," in a manner corresponding to the amendments to claims 11-13 in the Amendment filed on October 21, 2008.

No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the amendments to claims 4-6 and 17-19 be approved and entered.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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